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(54) METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRIVING
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[0068] FIG. 4 shows a fourth embodiment of the invention. In this embodiment, source followers are arranged at a pitch d , and the laser light illumination width L is equal to $4d$. Two source followers that are located in an oblique direction are connected to each other in parallel.

[0069] The laser light is first applied to source followers (p, q) , $(p+1, q)$, $(p+2, q)$, $(p+3, q)$, $(p, q+1)$, $(p+1, q+1)$, $(p+2, q+1)$ and $(p+3, q+1)$.

[0070] The laser light is then moved so as to illuminate source followers $(p+3, q)$, $(p+4, q)$, $(p+5, q)$, $(p+6, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p+4, q+1)$, $(p+5, q+1)$ and $(p+6, q+1)$.

[0071] By connecting to each other in parallel the source followers (p, q) and $(p+1, q+1)$, the source followers $(p+1, q)$ and $(p+2, q+1)$, the source followers $(p+2, q)$ and $(p+3, q+1)$, the source followers $(p+3, q)$ and $(p+4, q+1)$, the source followers $(p+4, q)$ and $(p+5, q+1)$, and the source followers $(p+5, q)$ and $(p+6, q+1)$ as shown in FIG. 4, the characteristics of the source followers are averaged, so that variations in the characteristics caused by the laser illumination can be reduced.

[0072] FIG. 5 shows a fifth embodiment of the invention. In this embodiment, source followers are arranged at a pitch d , and the laser light illumination width L is equal to $4d$. Three source followers located in an oblique direction are connected together in parallel.

[0073] The laser light is first applied to source followers (p, q) , $(p+1, q)$, $(p+2, q)$, $(p+3, q)$, $(p, q+1)$, $(p+1, q+1)$, $(p+2, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p, q+2)$, $(p+1, q+2)$, $(p+2, q+2)$ and $(p+3, q+2)$.

[0074] The laser light is then moved so as to illuminate source followers $(p+3, q)$, $(p+4, q)$, $(p+5, q)$, $(p+6, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p+4, q+1)$, $(p+5, q+1)$, $(p+6, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+2)$, $(p+4, q+2)$, $(p+5, q+2)$ and $(p+6, q+2)$.

[0075] Since the source followers (p, q) , $(p, q+1)$, $(p, q+2)$, $(p+3, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+2)$, $(p+6, q)$, $(p+6, q+1)$ and $(p+6, q+2)$ are illuminated twice with the laser light, they have the threshold voltage $V_{sub.thL}$ (see FIG. 8).

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[0072] FIG. 5 shows a fifth embodiment of the invention. In this embodiment, source followers are arranged at a pitch d , and the laser light illumination width L is equal to $4d$. Three source followers located in an oblique direction are connected together in parallel .

[0073] The laser light is first applied to source followers (p, q) , $(p+1, q)$, $(p+2, q)$, $(p+3, q)$, $(p, q+1)$, $(p+1, q+1)$, $(p+2, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p, q+2)$, $(p+1, q+2)$, $(p+2, q+2)$ and $(p+3, q+2)$.

[0074] The laser light is then moved so as to illuminate source followers $(p+3, q)$, $(p+4, q)$, $(p+5, q)$, $(p+6, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p+4, q+1)$, $(p+5, q+1)$, $(p+6, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+2)$, $(p+4, q+2)$, $(p+5, q+2)$ and $(p+6, q+2)$.

[0075] Since the source followers (p, q) , $(p, q+1)$, $(p, q+2)$, $(p+3, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$, $(p+3, q+2)$, $(p+6, q)$, $(p+6, q+1)$ and $(p+6, q+2)$ are illuminated twice with the laser light, they have the threshold voltage $V_{sub.thL}$ (see FIG. 8).

[0076] Since the source followers $(p+1, q)$, $(p+2, q)$, $(p+1, q+1)$, $(p+2, q+1)$, $(p+1, q+2)$, $(p+2, q+2)$, $(p+4, q)$, $(p+5, q)$, $(p+4, q+1)$, $(p+5, q+1)$, $(p+4, q+2)$ and $(p+5, q+2)$ are illuminated only once with the laser light, they have the threshold voltage $V_{sub.thH}$ (see FIG. 8).

[0077] By connecting together in parallel the source followers (p, q) , $(p+1, q+1)$ and $(p+2, q+2)$, the source followers $(p+1, q)$, $(p+2, q+1)$ and $(p+3, q+2)$, the source followers $(p+2, q)$, $(p+3, q+1)$ and $(p+4, q+2)$, the source followers $(p+3, q)$, $(p+4, q+1)$ and $(p+5, q+2)$, and the source followers $(p+4, q)$, $(p+5, q+1)$ and $(p+6, q+2)$ as shown in FIG. 5, one of the three source followers of each combination is illuminated twice with the laser light and the other two source followers are illuminated only once. By combining the source followers in the above manner, the source followers of every set are made uniform, so that variations in the characteristics caused by the laser illumination can be eliminated.

[0078] As described above, by connecting in parallel the source followers that use thin-film transistors, the invention can suppress a variation of the threshold voltage $V_{sub.th}$ due to overlapping of laser light illumination



29. An active matrix device comprising: a plurality of pixels; a plurality of switching elements formed over a substrate for switching said plurality of pixels; at least one driver circuit formed over said substrate for driving said plurality of switching elements through a plurality of signal lines extending substantially in a first direction; a plurality of buffer circuits in said driver circuit wherein said buffer circuits are connected to said plurality of signal lines, and wherein each of the buffer circuits is arranged obliquely with respect to said first direction so that a portion of at least one of the buffer circuits is positioned in a same line along said first direction as a portion of at least another one of the buffer circuits.

30. An active matrix device according to claim 29 wherein each of said switching elements comprises a thin film transistor.

31. An active matrix device according to claim 29 wherein said driver circuit is a source driver circuit.

32. An active matrix device according to claim 29 wherein each of said buffer circuits comprises at least one thin film transistor having a crystallized semiconductor film.

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